

Canthacur Wound Care

Molluscum contagiosum is a viral skin disease with firm, round, translucent papules present. Molluscum is spread by human contact and is very contagious.

Verruca Vulgaris (wart) is a benign growth in the skin caused by human papillomavirus. A wart is spread by human contact and is very contagious. A typical wart is a rough surfaced nodule that may be either lighter or darker than the surrounding skin. Diagnosis is typically made on the clinical appearance.

Canthacur is a topical solution used to treat benign growths such as warts and molluscum. Canthacur is an agent that is used to induce blister formation and help the body trigger an immune response to fight the virus.

Some of the risks/side effects inherent to the treatment are tingling, itching, and/or burning with a few hours of applying the medication to the skin, painful blisters within 24 hours, inflammation, very tender skin for 2 to 6 days, scarring and/or permanent white (depigmented) or dark (hyperpigmented) marks may result from treatment.

Some discomfort may occur when the blisters form. You may treat this discomfort with Tylenol or Advil. If the patient is a child, please be sure to follow the instructions on the label closely for correct dosing. Like any viral condition, there is no guaranteed therapy. Part of the ability to get rid of a viral condition depends on the patient's immune response.

Multiple treatments may be required until complete improvement is noted. New lesions may appear between treatment intervals.

Wound Care:

- 1. Wash your hands with soap and water.
- 2. Remove the band-aids after _____ hours.
- 3. Wash off the treated areas with soap and water.

If you have any questions regarding your care instructions, please call the office at (480) 556-0446.